

Hugo Fraga

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“I am committed to providing clients with sound judgment and practical, business-minded legal counsel. I work collaboratively with clients to understand their goals, assess risk, and develop efficient approaches tailored to the realities of each matter.”

Hugo Fraga represents owners, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, design professionals, and sureties on private and public construction projects. He handles all aspects of construction litigation, including delay and impact claims, construction defects, default terminations, change-order and extra-work claims, and payment or mechanics’ lien disputes.

Hugo works closely with project stakeholders and experts to analyze claims, develop litigation strategy, and prepare matters for mediation, arbitration, and trial. He drafts and argues dispositive motions, prepares arbitration and mediation submissions, and manages written discovery and discovery motion practice.

Prior to joining Miller Nash, Hugo practiced at a boutique construction law firm in Seattle.

Professional Activities

- Washington State Bar Association Construction Law Section
– New Member Liaison, 2025-present

Civic Activities

- Bridge of Promise
– Board Member, 2026-present

Representative Experience

Construction

- Represented general contractor in a \$20 million mediation against a project owner asserting nonpayment and ground settlement liability; prepared damages analysis, mediation briefs, and expert coordination.*

*Prior to joining Miller Nash

Education

J.D., University of Washington School of Law, 2019

- Article Development Editor, *Washington Journal of Law, Technology & Arts*
- President, J. Reuben Clark Law Society

B.A., Brigham Young University, philosophy, *magna cum laude*, 2015

- Congressional Intern, Fmr. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid
- Editor-In-Chief, *Aporia: A Student Journal of Philosophy*

Bar Admissions

Washington, 2019

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington

Languages

Spanish, conversational

Publications

- “Graham & Who May Trigger the Need to Protest,” Association of General Contractors Washington Chapter (Jan. 2024)

Recognition & Honors

- Selected for inclusion as a Washington Super Lawyer — Rising Star, 2026

Personal Activities

Outside the office, Hugo enjoys reading historical biographies and spending time on the golf course searching for his golf ball.